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SUBJECT: VALUE OF IRAQ'S 1974 IMPORTS: 4.6 BILLION DOLLARS

REF: BAGHDAD A-27, MAY 13, 1974

1. GOI MINISTRY OF ECONOMY ANNOUNCED MARCH 4 THAT VALUE OF IRAQ'S IMPORTS FROM ALL SOURCES IN 1974 WAS 1.35 BILLION IRAQI DINARS (4.563 BILLION DOLLARS).

2. VALUE OF US EXPORTS TO IRAQ IN 1974 WAS 284.7 MILLION DOLLARS MAKING IT OUR NUMBER FIVE ARAB MARKET (AFTER SAUDI ARABI, EGYPT, ALGERIA AND LEBANON).

3. VALUE OF WEST GERMAN EXPORTS TO IRAQ IN 1974, ACCORDING THEIR EMBASSY IN BAGHDAD, WAS 949.9 MILLION DM (373.4 MILLION DOLLARS). OF THIS FIGURE 258.5 MILLION DM (105.1 MILLION DOLLARS) WAS EXPORTED IN DECEMBER ALONE AND MAY REPRESENT FIRST PORTION OF DM ONE BILLION WORTH OF MERCEDES-BENZ TRUCKS RECENTLY PURCHASED BY IRAQ.

4. MOST WESTERN COMMERCIAL ATTACHES DO NOT YET HAVE COMPLETE
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FIGURES FOR 1974 AND IRAQI IMPORT FIGURES ONLY GO THROUGH JUNE 1974.

BUT CONSENSUS IS THAT 1974 WAS EXTRAORDINARILY GOOD FOR EXPORTS
FROM WEST GERMANY, FRANCE AND USA, WITH DECLINES FOR USSR AND UK.

5. USINT WILL ADVISE ON MARKET SHARES AS MORE COMPLETE STATISTICS
BECOME AVAILABLE.

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